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REPORT

To Our Readers - Owners

OAKLAND AND WEARDALE

Community councils where neighbors would meet and talk over their neighborhood problems are needed in Oakland, so that a resident would feel he "belonged" to a group small enough to give him some sense of immediate relationship to his nearby problems. That's the belief of some of the civic minded folk in Oakland.

And the other day in the Durham County Advertiser, an excellent English newspaper we read through the courtesy of Bill Burnip of Molders 164, who was born and reared in County Durham, there was a story about how the communities of Wearside, the valley of the Wear river, are losing their community consciousness. Years ago, said the Durham paper, workmen in these villages spent many hours of their spare time building community clubhouses, where young and old could congregate and get acquainted and have a good time.

But now, it seems, the young people of the Wearside communities rush to Durham to see the movies and indulge in various other pastimes, paying no attention to the clubhouses so carefully and hopefully built in their own little communities.

So in Oakland we're getting so big we need to try to create within the city little community groups; and in County Durham across the seas the little communities people already live in are languishing, the young folks paying no heed to them. Both situations will be found all over England, the United States, and way stations.

VOLCANO'S TOWN MEETING

In the almost-ghost town of Volcano, up in the Mother Lode country, the present writer a few weeks ago learned that Volcano, which in the days of gold had some 10,000 population and now has less than 200, is pioneering in this matter of getting the young folks interested in their community.

Jack Thebaut, an enthusiastic Volcanian, said that a New Englander imbued with the old Town Meeting tradition, got the community interested in setting up a Town Meeting. The dues are 50 cents a year for an adult, and 5 cents a year for a child.

Why should a child pay dues? Because he or she is entitled to speak in the Volcano Town Meeting just the same as any adult.

"Sometimes," says Thebaut, "one of the kids will get to rambling off the subject a bit, and has to be brought back to earth by the moderator. But it seems to me I've heard of adults who do that, too."

Of course, those of us who have attended union meetings and Central Labor Council or Building Trades Council meetings have never seen adults wander off the subject in their speeches, but we'll try to take Thebaut's word for it.

GROWING CITIZENS

Thebaut's idea, and the idea of the other members of the Volcano Town Meeting is that the youngsters by participating in the Town Meeting from an early age grow into citizenship, and to what might be called communityship. When they grow up, they won't be so prone to dash down the trail to Jackson on Highway 49 the way the Wearside youngsters dash off to Durham.

Incidentally, Jack Thebaut claims his wife makes the best pies in the world.

HEALTH & WELFARE Council delegates, three in number, will be chosen by the CLC executive committee, for the first meeting of the new health and welfare group at a luncheon at Spenger's in Berkeley May 31.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

The following unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 3 of this issue of the Journal.

AUTO MACHINISTS 1546
STEAMFITTERS 342
SHEET METAL WORKERS 216
PLASTERERS 112
HAYWARD CULINARY 823
HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178
BERKELEY PAINTERS 40
SO. ALAMEDA COUNTY VOTERS LEAGUE-AFL



STEAMFITTERS 342 dinner, honoring high officers of the United Association. Seated, left to right: Mrs. Peter T. Schoemann, General President Peter T. Schoemann, Master of Ceremonies General Organizer Archie Virtue, Assistant President John McCartin and Mrs. John McCartin. Standing, left to right: General Organizer Clayton Bilderback, California Pipe Trades Council President Earl Schultz, Mrs. Bilderback, General Organizer Joe Monahan, Mrs. Monahan, California Pipe Trades Council Secretary Dan MacDonald, First Vice-President Joe Lahey, Fourth Vice-President William McLaughlin, Third Vice-President Leo Green and General Organizer William Dodd.

Joe Pruss Report On Vet Christmas Work Pleases BTC

Building Trades Council Vice-President Joe Pruss at the last meeting of the council presented the report of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee, on which he has been the BTC representative for years.

The report shows that worthwhile gifts and entertainment were provided last Christmas for every patient in the 4 veteran hospitals in the East Bay. These are: Parks Air Force Base, Livermore VA, Oakland VA, and Oakland U.S. Naval.

This was the 30th annual, consecutive program, and over 1000 organizations helped to make it a success.

The goal for 1955 Christmas financially was \$31,500, and the actual amount raised came near the goal, for it was \$30,737. Of this amount there was spent \$24,081, leaving a balance of \$6656 for use in the Christmas work of 1956.

The main items of expenditure were: decorations \$6788, entertainment \$9801, gifts \$6170.

Especially interesting is the report on gifts:

"2126 gifts were appropriately wrapped, addressed and personally delivered by Santa Claus and the beautiful young ladies who were his assistants. Care was taken that no one was overlooked and that long term patients in particular received the type of gift he or she wanted."

"Slacks, bed jackets, suitcases, shirts, wallets, and innumerable other gifts were on hand. All were beautifully and carefully wrapped and presented as an individual gift from Santa Claus, and every hint of commercialism or routine distribution avoided. Each of you should receive some satisfaction in knowing that as an unknown benefactor you contributed so much happiness to such worthy people."

PENSION DATA

BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers in making additional comment on the successful pension conference sponsored by the State Federation of Labor and the UC Institute of Industrial Relations said that two things he learned at the conference much impressed him. One is that so low an amount as 10 cents an hour can supply men retiring at 65 a pension as high as \$100 monthly if a self-insurance plan is adopted by a union. The other point is that a group as small as 200 persons can successfully operate a pension plan.

HEALTH, WELFARE COUNCIL

Childers called attention to the luncheon to be held May 31 at Spenger's restaurant, Berkeley, to establish the two-county six-council Labor Health & Welfare Council. The CIO councils and the Central and Building Trades Councils of Alameda and Contra Costa counties will be represented. Two counties were included, he pointed out, because the Medical Association is organized on a two-county basis, and many of the dealings of the new council will be with the Medical Association.

There are to be 18 directors, 3 from each of the 6 constituent councils. Committees will be formed to take up each important phase of the subject, and these committees will report directly to the new Health & Welfare Council.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: ESTES; CROSS, RICHARDS, LEAGUE

Announcements, some by CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash, and one by BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers:

Monday, May 14, 4:15 p.m.: Senator Estes Kefauver at the Labor Temple to meet his friends and fellow citizens.

Monday, May 14, 6:30 p.m.: Dinner honoring Dr. Laurence L. Cross, Crystal Room, Leamington Hotel, \$10 per plate.

Tuesday, May 15, 10 a.m.: Senator Richard Richards at the meeting of the BTC Board of Business Agents; 8 p.m. Senator Richards at the BTC meeting.

Tuesday, May 22, 8 p.m.: Special meeting at Labor Temple of Voters League-AFL to discuss Assembly District 15.

AFLCIO Reports Building Trades And Teamo Issues

The May 5 issue of AFLCIO News, official publication of the united labor movement, has stories on page one dealing with two issues now occupying the attention of the AFLCIO executive council.

One is the case of the Teamsters and their relationship with the International Longshoremen's Association; and the other is the case of the AFLCIO Building & Construction Trades Department and its effort to slow down mergers on State and local levels.

TEAMSTER CASE

The story about the Teamsters carries top headlines: "Council Will Chart Policy on Inter-Union Compacts: Principles Stated for Scrutiny."

"The principles involved in the recently terminated mutual aid pact between the Teamsters union and the racket-ridden, expelled Longshoremen's Association will be given close examination at the next meeting of the AFLCIO executive council," says the first paragraph of the story.

The fact that at the May 1 special meeting of the council, "the council endorsed all the actions taken by AFLCIO President George Meany up to this time" in dealing with the Teamsters is then cited. It is explained that "Meany, announcing the council's action, said the 'principles involved' would be a special order of business at the council meeting during the week of June 4."

Reporters, according to the AFLCIO News, asked Meany for a definition of the "principle" which the executive council will study, and Meany replied:

"The principle is simple. Can a union which is a member of the AFLCIO have an organizing alliance with a union outside the AFLCIO that would work to the detriment of a third union inside the AFLCIO?"

Meany declared that "this principle cannot be disregarded."

The failure of Dave Beck, general president of the Teamsters, to appear at the special May 1 meeting of the council called to consider the case is noted as follows:

"Beck was not present at the top AFLCIO leaders' meeting on May 1. He pleaded that previous appointments prevented his attendance at the one big ceremony."

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Steamfitters Do Honor to Highest General Officers

By JIM MARTIN
Financial Secretary, Business Manager, Steamfitters 342

Steamfitters Union No. 342 was host at a dinner, which was held at the Villa De La Paix restaurant May 2, honoring United Association General President Peter T. Schoemann and Assistant President John McCartin, their wives and the following international and local representatives: First Vice-President Joe Lahey, Third Vice-President Leo Green, Fourth Vice-President William McLaughlin, General Organizer Joe Monahan and Mrs. Monahan, General Organizer Clayton Bilderback and Mrs. Bilderback, General Organizer Archie Virtue and President Earl Schultz and Secretary Dan MacDonald of the California Pipe Trades Council.

Those also attending this dinner were: Business Manager Jim Pollard of Vallejo Local No. 343 and Mrs. Pollard, Business Representative Ben Beynon of Oakland Local No. 444 and Mrs. Beynon, Business Manager William Dimler of Richmond Local No. 159 and Mrs. Dimler, Business Representative Charles Cox and Financial Secretary Cy Dempsey of San Francisco Local No. 38 and their wives and our immediate officers and their wives.

General Organizer Archie Virtue was master of ceremonies at this dinner.

General President Peter T. Schoemann and Assistant President John McCartin thanked all United Association members for hospitality shown them and the general officers during their visit to California.

General President Schoemann, Assistant General President John McCartin and other international officers also attended the thirty-sixth convention of the California Pipe Trades Association held in San Jose April 27, 28 and 29. Their addresses were well received by the 117 delegates in attendance at this convention. The following officers of the California Pipe Trades Council were installed: President Earl Schultz, Secretary Dan MacDonald, Vice-Presidents C. E. Sovine, Harry McCray, William Francis and James Martin.

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6-County Millmen Agreement Raises Hour-Pay 15 Cents

Some 3000 planing mill and cabinet workers in about 300 plants in the Bay Area are working under a new contract negotiated by the local unions of six counties, retroactive to May 1.

Anthony Ramos, business representative, Millmen 550, who acted as spokesman in the negotiations for the committee from six locals, said that some fringe benefits, including travel time, auto mileage, and subsistence pay have been agreed on in principle, but are still being considered.

The main clauses of the agreement, however, have been accepted by both sides. They bring the basic scale up from the previous \$2.35 per hour to \$2.50. The former 6 1/4 and 12 cent premiums on second and third shifts, respectively, now go up to 10 and 15 cents.

A new feature is a show-up time provision, acting as a deterrent to employers neglecting to tell workers that they won't be needed at the plant on some specific date.

Local unions participating in the negotiations in addition to 550 here were: San Jose 262, Mountain View 1280, San Mateo-San Francisco 42, Marin 2095, Pittsburg 1956. All are affiliated with the Brotherhood of Carpenters.

The employers represented were: Wood Products, Pacific Manufacturing Co., Associated Cabinet Manufacturers, American Forest Products, Chase Lumber Co., and various independent plants.

Paul Jones Tells New Laborer's Pay Rate as of May 1

Paul L. Jones, secretary-treasurer, Laborers 304, has sent out notices to all contractors outlining the new wage structure agreed upon by the Laborers' Union and Associated General Contractors' negotiators in Northern California. There are some 2500 members of Local 304, and about 30,000 Laborers in Northern California.

The effective rate of pay for members of the union as of May 1 is increased 15 cents an hour, bringing the basic scale to \$2.32 1/2 per hour. This, says Jones, "covers all classifications with the exception" of certain groups which he specifies.

The list of these groups follows:

Group 1 Additions: Rate \$2.57 1/2 an hour: Concrete Saw—Push type; Pipewrappers. Kettlemen, Potmen and Men Applying Asphalt, Lay-Kold, Creosote and Similar Type Materials—Magnesite and Mastic Workers—High Sealers—Asphalt Ironers and Rakers—Pavement Breakers—Jackhammer Operators—Bull Float in connection with Laborers Work.

Group 2 Additions: Rate \$2.42 1/2 an hour: Concrete Chipping and Grinding—Asphalt Shovelers—High Pressure Nozzleman—Hydraulic Monitor (over 100 pound pressure excluding levee work).

The following shall be added to Special Provisions: Joy Drills and Similar Type Drills shall receive \$2.75 per hour. Men Working off Bos'n Chair or Swinging Scaffold shall receive 25 cents per hour above their classified wage rate.

15c, Plus Pension, To Sign Painters

B. Rhodes Tooke, business representative of Sign, Pictorial & Display Painters 878, announces completion of negotiations for a new agreement with employers in the outdoor, neon, and commercial industries running for two years from May 1, 1956.

Sign painters get a 15-cent hourly wage boost as of May 1 bringing their hourly scale to \$3.12 1/2; helpers' 15-cent boost brings them to \$2.62 1/2.

May 1, 1957 brings an additional 8 cents in the wage, and a 10-cent hourly payment on a pension plan.

The new agreement retains 5 paid holidays, 2 weeks vacation after 3 months employment, and a 7 1/2-cent hourly health and welfare payment.

BAKERS LOCALS on the whole Coast, including those in the East Bay, are getting strike sanctions, as their negotiations are stalling.

LABOR MONEY NEEDED NOW TO MAKE SCHOOL BOND VOTE SUCCEED!

(Editorial)

Time is running out on the all essential work of getting the voters of Oakland to realize how important it is to vote YES for the school bonds on the June 5 ballot.

Not only is time running out, but the money for doing this work of educating the voters is running out, too.

Why is it running out? Because it isn't coming in! The business community, the fraternal groups, have come through with their assigned share of the \$25,000 absolutely needed to carry on this educational work.

But there are two groups slow to deliver the money. One of them is organized labor, and the other includes many thousands of individual members of organized labor—the parents of the children who are to benefit by the bond issue to build the desperately needed schools.

The sum of \$25,000 to carry on as big a promotional campaign is the rock bottom amount needed. But that amount MUST be had. J. L. Childers, business representative of the Building Trades Council, warned the delegates at the last BTC meeting that time is running out, and that every affiliated union should make its contribution as fast as possible. The matter has been brought up in the Central Labor Council, too. But so far, the union money has been only trickling in. And we can't afford to be slow. Just look at the calendar, and see how brief is the time left to use this money to carry on this promotional work.

Many, many thousands of members of organized labor are not only union members, they are members of families containing many of the very children who will benefit by Proposition L, the last on the ballot, but the first in importance for our children. Now, 45,000 letters have been sent to individual parents, and the returns so far have been painfully skimpy. Each family with children now in the Oakland schools is asked to contribute at least one dollar. That isn't much. But it's needed!

Send your family dollar to Mr. Kenneth Gelwix, Treasurer, Citizens Committee for Better Schools, care of American Trust Co., 1401 Broadway, Oakland.

As for the union contribution, it can be turned in through the offices of J. L. Childers, Building Trades Council; or Robert S. Ash, Central Labor Council.

Time is running out. Let's get the money running in!

Steamroller Busy At Berkeley Meet Auto Workers In Fair Play Session

Municipal Employees 390, affiliated with the Building Service Employees, had a rough time at a session of the Berkeley Personnel Board last week.

Central Labor Council Assistant Secretary Richard Groulx told the CLC delegates that he went with Ed Reith, secretary of the local, to the meeting of the board, and that repeatedly, when Reith tried to make a point, Board Chairman Phil Angell refused to recognize him.

As each union request was taken up, it was denied by formal motion, with Reith permitted to defend the request. After all the requests had been so exterminated, when Reith began to speak he was "shouted down by the chairman," said Groulx.

So Groulx got up and asked if all the meetings of the board were public. Angell said they were, and Groulx asked if they had held a meeting before this one to consider these requests. The chairman said that they had engaged in "some deliberations."

Reith and Groulx figured that Personnel Director William Danielson and the Personnel Board had the whole deal cut and dried before the public meeting was held.

LABOR-ENDORSED candidates and Machinists Auxiliary will be found on page 2 of this issue.



LABOR AND BUSINESS support of the Hayward Elementary School District's May 18 School Election issue is pledged as Norris Letson (center) president of the Hayward Chamber of Commerce, and Robert Ash, (right), secretary of the Central Labor Council, present the endorsements of their organizations to Martin Haley (left) campaign chairman. The election has been called to increase the district's nine year old tax ceiling in order to pay teachers "fair" salaries. Hayward Elementary teachers are among the lowest paid teachers in Alameda County due to a shortage of funds. Eighty percent of the teachers in Alameda County are paid at rates higher than Hayward Elementary teachers receive.

Keep All Offices Elective, Labor's Advice for June 5

Keep elective all county officials now elective. Therefore, vote NO on the series of amendments on the June 5 ballot which would make seven such offices appointive and put them under civil service.

That was the decision reached by the Central Labor Council Monday. The county offices involved are: Surveyor, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Recorder, County Clerk, Auditor, and Coroner.

CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash, who served as chairman of a Citizens Committee which investigated the Coroners' office at the request of the Board of Supervisors, moved in effect that the council endorse the amendment which would make the Coroner's office appointive. The motion was voted down.

The council on April 16 had adopted a motion made by Joe W. Chaudet, Typographical 36, protesting against removing any offices from the elective list. At the April 30 meeting Ash, citing things he had learned about the Coroner's office while heading the Citizens Committee, moved that the Coroner's office be withdrawn from the April 16 protest. Action on this motion was delayed until this week's meeting, to give Supervisor Francis Dunn an opportunity to discuss the whole subject of the proposed amendments with the council.

Dunn, member of Painters 127, and a delegate to the Central Labor Council when the county charter was drawn up by a Board of Freeholders in 1926, cited the fact that the then secretary of the CLC, the late William A. Spooner, was one of the freeholders; and that the charter as adopted made the offices now under discussion appointive; but that the holders of these offices were dissatisfied and later got the voters to make them elective again.

"The arguments for changing all these positions from elective to appointive are simple and brief," said Dunn. "Two of the offices require professional degrees. None of the others require any qualification other than to be a registered voter in Alameda county. None of the officers exercise any discretion concerning public policy."

"Their duties are administrative in nature and are defined for them by the Legislature and the Constitution. The forms they use, the fees they charge, every major action is spelled out. The number of employees in each of these departments, the office furniture and machinery they use, their fiscal control, is entirely in the hands of the Board of Supervisors."

Ash said that the Citizens Committee found that when the Coroner was made appointive in San Francisco, the number of deaths ascertained to be due to industrial accidents or industrial disease rose appreciably, because the expert appointive coroner made a thorough investigation of far more cases than the elective ones had ever done.

No speeches other than those already cited were made in favor of the appointive system replacing the elective. Among those who insisted, either in questioning Dunn, or in connection with the Coroner's office separately, that citizenry would be gravely mistaken if they gave up the right to vote for officials were: Paul L. Jones, Laborers 304; Sam Blanford, Machinists 284; Joe W. Chaudet, Typographical 36; W. N. Wheeler and Joseph Hightower, Carpenters 36; George L. Rice, Electricians 1245; and Al Brown, Milk Drivers 302.

"After listening to Brother Dunn's report," said Brown, "nothing that he has said has changed my mind. Nor can I see any reason for removing the Coroner alone from the elective list. The important thing to consider is that we must not give up our right to vote for officials. So far as I'm concerned, I'd just as soon have the dog-ratcher elective. It might be a little more trouble, it might cost a little more, but it would mean the voter had a power over government which should not be given up."

ROBERT W. CROWN, Democrat, candidate for the Assembly in the 14th District, is to be honored guest at a dinner and informal fun night May 19 at Iberico Hall, 1349 Hays street, San Leandro. Tickets, \$1.50, can be bought at the door.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LABOR VOTERS JUNE 5

Following are the recommendations on candidates by the Alameda County Voters League-AFL for the June 5 primary election:

U. S. SENATE

State Senator Richard Richards, Dem.

HOUSE

7th: Dr. Laurance L. Cross, Dem.
8th: George P. Miller, Dem.

ASSEMBLY

13th: Carlos Bee, Dem.
14th: Robert W. Crown, Dem.
15th: Robert B. River, Dem.
16th: William M. Freeborn, Dem.
17th: W. Byron Rumford, Dem.
18th: Dr. James G. Whitney, Dem.

SUPERIOR COURT

1st: Judge James Quinn
2nd: No recommendation
3rd: No recommendation
4th: No recommendation

MUNICIPAL COURT

1st: Judge Ed Smith
2nd: No recommendation
3rd: No recommendation

SUPERVISORS

1st: Chester E. Stanley
4th: No recommendation
5th: Dr. Boliver Moore

NAM Former Head Signed Union Shop

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO).—The National Association of Manufacturers is a major opponent of union security, but a lot of its leaders have negotiated union shop agreements with the unions representing their employees, the AFLCIO Department of Research points out in Labor's Economic Review. Among them is former NAM President Henry Riter III. "Mr. Riter was chairman of the board of directors of the Copperweld Co.," the Review continues, "when that firm signed its first union shop contract with the United Steelworkers 'to secure,' as the agreement stated, 'the increased production which will result from greater harmony between workers and employers . . . which cannot exist without a stable and responsible union.'"

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Birthday Fete of IAM's Auxiliary

By OLIVE HARVEY
Press Correspondent

Our first May meeting of IAM Auxiliary 97 was called to order by President Naomi Verrelli, but, as it was a miserable rainy night and several of our members were ill, the attendance was poor. Even so, considerable business was attended to.

No meeting was held on the last April meeting night as several of our members journeyed out to the Richmond Auxiliary's birthday party, and reported they all had a very nice time. Our fortieth birthday party will be May 17, and combined with the entertainment planned by President Naomi, and the plans of the committee who met at my home last Tuesday, it should be a large evening, so do hope everyone will make an effort to be there.

Our get-together party at Past President Nellie Blanford's home Saturday night was successful as quite a few members showed even though it was raining, and they all said they enjoyed the games, and the sandwiches, cake, and coffee served by the Ways and Means Committee. And also Sam and his donkey.

Our sympathy is with the family of Sister Cassie Ward, one of our old time members, who recently passed on.

Sister Ray Higgins is reported to be quite ill. Sister Freida Vernon, who was injured in an automobile accident, reports she is doing nicely and expects to be up soon. Sisters Opal Lawrence, Catherine Stewart, Rose Peratta, Eve Gallaher, and Florence Meade were all reported to be on the not so well list. Brother Harry Lear is ill. I don't know whether it is a cold or that he and Sister Gladys are just lonesome for son Mike who recently sailed on the U.S.S. Wasp for seven months in Japan.

Sisters Marie Dixon, Opal Lawrence, and Flo Clarke visited last week with Sister Rose Rodgers and reported her to be confined to her bed and in a very weak condition. Do send her cards, she does enjoy them so.

Patronize union label goods, buy bonds, and come to the birthday party.

Women in This World

By EDITH McCONN

"WHERE DO ALL the guns come from?" we ask as we read the harvest of murder stories daily in our press.

Why do so many people have guns? It is true that a certain amount of hunting is still done in this country, and it is true that a certain number of murders are done with hunting rifles.

Presumably the people who own these weapons are duly licensed. Presumably they really are used for hunting. Presumably! But are they?

How about revolvers, then? Who owns them and why? Self-defense is the usual answer, but it is wearing rather thin. All too often it is the half-forgotten revolver hidden away in some dresser drawer that is discovered and used by some unauthorized person. And of course, it was not supposed to be loaded.

One of our commonest headlines is "Estranged husband shoots wife and children." Sometimes he evens things off by shooting himself as well.

Wives also shoot husbands, children shoot parents, their teachers, their playmates. Also, many people, not only children, are shot accidentally while merely playing around with guns.

Even for a people as reckless as we Americans seem to be, we seem to have too many guns around and about.

We read in the papers about "arms embargoes" to this country and that.

The thought occurs that an arms embargo to our own citizenry might be in order.

We love "drives." Why not have a drive to get all our shooting arms out into the bottom of the Pacific Ocean? Or even into the Atlantic?

It might deprive our newspapers of some of their headlines, and it might, just possibly, give some of us a few more years of life.

EMPLOYMENT in California increased 32,000 from February to a mid-March total of 4,110,200.

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day session. . . Meany said he would make a special request to Beck to attend the June 4 session of the executive council."

BUILDING TRADES

On the other issue, that of the published desire of the AFLCIO Building & Construction Trades Department to slow down State and local mergers, the front page headline is: "Fast Unity Job Urged by Council." The first paragraph says: "State and city bodies of the AFLCIO will soon receive official word to keep moving ahead as rapidly as possible with mergers into combined local and State AFLCIO organizations."

The story goes on to say that the executive council at its May 1 meeting "voiced criticism of a statement by the Building & Construction Trades Department opposing mergers until jurisdictional disputes between the building trades unions and the industrial unions had been settled."

The AFLCIO News story continues:

"President Meany said the executive council found the Building Trades Department statement to be 'in direct violation of the spirit and letter of the AFLCIO constitution.' The council has instructed Meany to meet with the Building Trades Department leaders and have their action withdrawn."

"The constitution provides that city and State bodies have until the end of 1957 to complete their own merger arrangements. It was pointed out that no affiliate or subordinate body of the AFLCIO has the right to interfere with the process, and that, in any event, questions of union jurisdiction are outside the province of the city and State bodies."

The story notes that President Harry Bates of the Bricklayers had nothing to do with the issuance of the Building Trades Department's statement.

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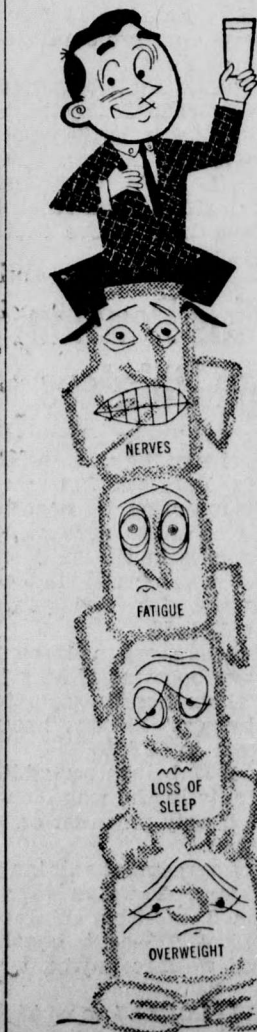
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Labor people are asked to buy tickets at \$1 apiece. The Central Labor Council voted Monday to give publicity on this in East Bay Labor Journal.

Bob River Endorsed

County President Carl F. Dittmar of the Pension-Labor Clubs calls attention to the fact that the clubs have endorsed Robert B. River for Assemblyman in the 15th District. The fact was inadvertently omitted from East Bay Labor Journal's report in the May 4 issue.

"MENTAL HEALTH — New Horizons" is the topic of an address by Dr. Walter Rapaport, Director of the State Department of Mental Hygiene, to be given May 16 in the west auditorium of the Oakland Public Library, 14th and Oak Streets, at 7:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome. There is no admission charge.

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"They are destroying the labor movement."—Labor Daily

AVERAGE HOURLY earnings of California factory workers rose to a record high of \$2.17 per hour in March, announced Ernest B. Webb, California Director of Industrial Relations. This was an increase of 2 cents from February and of 9 cents from the average of March 1955.

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By MIKE KELLY

Cigars were the order of the day last Friday when Bro. Lee De Bonis announced to us that he and the Frau had adopted a week old boy and hung the handle of Thomas Joseph on him. We take our hats off to you for such a wonderful gift to the little boy. Lots of luck.

Also in the same vein, the Ray Laffins have 3 adopted youngsters, all doing fine and Ray busting the buttons on his vest because one of his angels got a gold star for drawing. Wonderful people to take on these children and raise them as their own.

There's a song, "Gee, But I'd Give the World to See That Old Gang of Mine." Well, that old gang probably wouldn't know me as most of them were charter members, long before I got off the boat. These fine people helped a lot in putting Local 96 on a firm footing and when they saw an opportunity to move on, took it: Sheriff Jack Gleason; former Chief of Police Les Divine; Edwin A. Clancy, Jr., now practicing law with Joe Smith; another barrister Fred Cooper, associated with Leonard Dieden; and the latest one who is just about all paid up on his set of law books, William D. or just plain Bill Corbett, who is a candidate for the Alameda County Board of Education and one who deserves our support; and Tommy Jensen, now executive purchasing officer for a navy base in Japan.

The circulation department executive staffs of our Bay Area dailies have been raised to a new high by members of this local. Roger Gordon of the Richmond Independent, and also in the same area, Frank Plater, at the Tribune, all rose from the ranks of this local.

Even some of those on the papers across the bay have gotten used to the taste of this ink when they ate the sheets and it sure tasted lousy. All in all they made it a better local and the Teamsters profited by having them help this local, now a young man of 18 years. We ought to have a ball on the 20th anniversary and get the gang back to swap lies and bring us up to date on their fortunes.

We thank those volunteers who offered to donate blood to Mrs. Tracy, Jack's mother, and especially to Bill Dunn and also Kent MacDonald who were the first to be taken. We'll try to get some more of this together soon.

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Painters 127 in Negotiations Now

By HUGHIE RUTLEDGE

Negotiations on the new agreement going along nicely with the negotiators meeting each week at the present time. Several of the employers proposals have caused considerable discussion, particularly the employer paid industry fund. We will in all probability get down to several meetings a week in the near future. Nothing more of particular importance to the brothers on this matter as we have not reached the most important proposals which of course deals with wages.

All the brothers received a post card notice this week asking them to attend an important special meeting on Thursday. As our mailing list is handled by the Journal Press we find that some of the brothers do not receive these notices. Please ask your brother worker if he receives this paper and if not have him phone the office at TWInoaks 3-2755 and we will get him on the list. Due to moving, changes of addresses etc. it is important that you call us to stay on the mailing list.

Several of the locals of the District Council have voted on the resolution to change the council by-laws whereby the representatives will be paid for on an assessment basis by the council. So far these locals have voted in favor and of course we do not know how 127 will vote on Thursday.

Quite a few of the brothers have been suspended during the past 2 quarters so again we ask all the brothers to check the card of the brother you are working with. This will help the business representatives no end.

We miss the articles of our good friend brother Rasnick of Local No. 40. While we do not always agree with brother Bens philosophy we admire his frank and honest comments. It has always been my personal opinion that the brothers enjoy comments and remarks by a brother painter especially so when the writer is out working on the job and not a paid representative. It is unfortunate that more of the brothers working full time for the locals do not write an article for the members to read.

The next meeting of the local will be Thursday, May 24th, and inasmuch as important business will come up at each meeting we ask the brothers to attend.

S. F. TEAMSTERS LOCALS are each donating \$12.50 monthly for 2 years to Columbia Park Boys Club.



To All Members of East Bay Automotive Machinists 1546

The next regular meeting Tuesday, May 15th, will be a special called meeting for the election of fifteen delegates and three alternates to the Grand Lodge Convention to be held in San Francisco beginning September 4, 1956.

Time: 8:00 p.m.
Place: Hall A, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street.
Fraternally yours,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

Steamfitters 342

Registrations were opened on Thursday, May 3, 1956 for the 27th United Association Convention to be held in Kansas City, Missouri during the week of August 13, 1956.

First reading of registrants will be May 17, 1956 and will be closed May 24, 1956. The second reading and election of delegates will be held at the Special Called meeting, Sunday, June 3, 1956.

Polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
It is respectfully requested that you make every effort to VOTE.
Any member wishing to present a resolution on the floor must have the resolution in by June 7, 1956 or he can bring it before the Resolution Committee on June 19, 1956. This pertains to the United Association convention.

Yours fraternally,
JAMES MARTIN,
Fin. Sec'y. Bus. Mgr.

Sheet Metal Workers Local No. 216

Blood donors are urgently needed by Local No. 216. The wife of Alois Trummer employed at Electrical Products and the wife of Mathias Darbyshire employed at Richmond Sheet Metal are critically ill and blood is needed. Please contact the office of Local No. 216 for further details.

The next meeting of the Local will be held on May 16. Please try to attend your union meetings.

Fraternally yours,
LLOYD CHILDS,
Business Representative

Plasterers 112

The attention of all members is called to Trade Rules, Section 9. Article I. The trade rules became effective on April 15, 1956 and all members are directed to live up to this section of the trade rules.

Fraternally yours,
GEORGE WHITTON,
Secretary-Treasurer

Hayward Culinary Workers and Bartenders 823

The regular meeting will be held Tuesday, May 15, at 8:00 p.m. at Local 823 headquarters.

Fraternally yours,
ROY WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

Hayward Painters 1178

Coming up another special meeting immediately following the regular one dated Friday, May 18, next. This special call will be to select nominees for the business agent's office. Election for this office will take place at the first meeting in June. The reason for the early election for this office is to escape a deadline date.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

Berkeley Painters Local 40

Our next regular meeting of May 11, has been designated a Special Meeting, called for the purpose of voting on the changes in the District Council No. 16 By-Laws. Any other business to come before the meeting will be acted upon the same evening. Please make every effort to attend.

Fraternally yours,
BEN RASNICK,
Recording Secretary

Southern Alameda County Voters League-AFL

Southern Alameda County Voters League-AFL will hold its monthly scheduled meeting Thursday, May 17 in the Culinary Hall, Soto and "B" Streets, Hayward, at 8:00 p.m.

All members and prospective ones, are cordially invited to take part in the political arena in the south county, for many things will have to be accomplished in this, a general election year. Furthermore, all members in this area and friends of labor are reminded to cast a vote for Robert L. Coate for Trustee in the Hayward Union High School election May 18, 1956.

Fraternally yours,
ANDRE N. LA ROCHE,
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Dressing Room Chatter

Theater B-82: 'Dan Boone' Is Okayed

By JOE CONNELLY

The Hollywood AFL Film Council announced recently that Gannaway-Ver Halen Inc. and Gannaway Productions Inc. have signed new collective bargaining contracts with the Hollywood unions and have pledged that in the future these companies and their principals will not engage in "run-away" foreign productions.

The companies agreed that if it were necessary to make a picture outside of the United States that they would first consult with the Film Council concerning the using of Hollywood production crews on such a film.

Consequently, the Film Council has voted to lift its nationwide consumers' boycott against the motion picture "Daniel Boone", made in Mexico.

This picture has not played this locality as yet. We are informing our readers of the lifting of the ban, as they may have read previously of the boycott. Although we did not carry the item at the time that ban was adopted, it has received much publicity through other labor papers.

Up and down the aisle... Hugh Jones, manager of the T & D expected back on the job shortly after he recovers from a recent appendectomy.

Bill Bentley, currently managing the Globe, will also take over management of the Tower a vacancy that was created due to the death of Bill O'Neill. Bob Hosick of the Senator has been handling the Tower since Bill's untimely demise. Probable plans will eventually put Norman Pilliarde in the Globe. Several years ago he was manager of the California in Berkeley and is currently on the sick list.

The next union meeting is scheduled for May 17th at 11:30 p.m., with the final meeting of the month slated for 10:00 a.m. on May 26th... Mike Pelkey, moving from the Roxie to the Berkeley... Former assistant manager Larry Veil of the Paramount tells us he ran across ex-boss Frank Burhans at his home devoting all his time to his gardening.

Bob Apple, manager of the California in Berkeley, recently on the sick list. Although it wasn't critical, he must have been in misery, couldn't talk for several days.

WORK STOPPAGE in California during the first three months of 1956 was lower than in the corresponding period of 1955, Ernest B. Webb, California Director of Industrial Relations, announced.

NLRB should either quit intervening in restaurant affairs in the Bay Area, or admit it has jurisdiction in the Miami Beach hotel and restaurant strike, said a recent resolution of the Central Labor Council.

Watch It With Watchmakers

3 Announcements

By MILDRED HEFFERNAN

In the absence of Geo. F. Allen

Mr. Allen is at this writing, enroute to the International Jewelry Workers Convention which convenes in New York on Monday, May 14th. If I hear anything from him that I feel will be of interest to the members, I will relay same at a later date.

In the meantime, the members should bear several things in mind:

First: JUNE 1st is the time when our members can change their choice of insurance coverage, i.e., members covered under Kaiser Foundation Health Service Plan may change to the Guaranty Insurance Indemnity Plan—or those members covered under our Guaranty Insurance Indemnity Plan may change to Kaiser Foundation Health Service Plan coverage. If you desire to change your insurance coverage, please notify the union office PRIOR to May 28th.

Second: Membership meetings for the months of May, June and July, and Executive Board Meetings, have been changed as follows: EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS ATTENTION: There will be no Executive Board Meeting during the month of May. SAN FRANCISCO-BAY AREA MEMBERS ATTENTION: There will be no membership meeting in San Francisco during the month of May. SAN JOSE MEMBERS ATTENTION: There will be no membership meetings during the months of June or July, in San Jose.

Third: Members should mail their dues books and dues into the union office. Mail during current month. Address envelope to Watchmakers Union Local 101 in order to avoid error in delivery.

VICTORY RATIO for unions in NLRB elections running against No-Union is declining, says NLRB.

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Stage Union 107: Kimmmer's Injury

By WILLIAM PELKEY

It seems Charlie Kimmmer was hurt more than a little bit in his fall down the Grand Lake stairs: his rib was not fractured as I reported in last week's issue: it was bruised: and rather severely too; it looks like the sunset in the desert; don't know when Charlie will return to work; soon I hope.

Congratulations are in order for Wendall Thornton, asst. mgr. of the Roxie Theatre, as he is getting married to his wife this week: if this reads strange to you I will explain, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton are getting married in the church, they were married in Reno some time ago.

Understand the John Craigs are moving into their new home this week.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

NO UNION PRUDENTIAL SALES WHILE BARGAINING

George L. Russ, general president, Insurance Agents Union, has written asking the help of the Central Labor Council in the "struggle to obtain a satisfactory contract with the Prudential Insurance Co."

Russ asks that no insurance be bought of Prudential during the negotiations, as only non-union agents are now soliciting such business.

AIR REDUCTION Pacific Co.

of Emeryville is engaged in strenuous negotiations with the Operating Engineers, Business Representative Herb Sims and CLC Assistant Secretary Dick Groulx report.

MILLIE CASTELLUCCIO

Laundry Workers 2, has become an expert dancer, CLC President John F. Quinn informed the delegates recently, and she was given a big round of applause.

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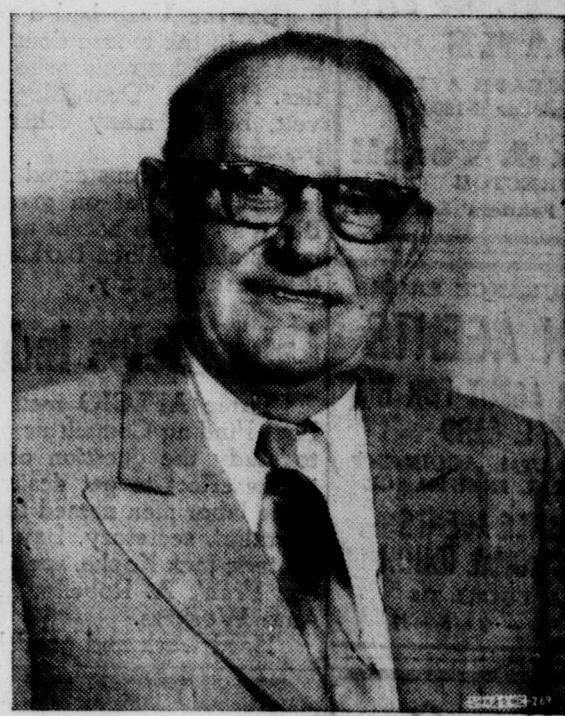
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OPINIONS

SAYS ILO LOADED AGAINST U. S.

Editor, Labor Journal:

The Executive Council of the AFL-CIO is concerned over the campaign of falsehoods being waged against the ILO. Congress will be asked to raise the ceiling for the United States' contribution to the ILO from \$1,750,000 to \$3,000,000 a year. If agreed to, it will be just another example of \$3,000,000 of the taxpayer's money going for a purpose that few people know anything about and most Americans have never heard of.

The soundest criticism is that ILO's tripartite character was destroyed when worker and employer delegates from Soviet states were admitted on the same basis as their counterparts from other countries.

From the beginning, the employer delegates who under its constitution, are supposed to represent free associations of free employers contended that communistic so called employer delegates, could not possibly represent free associations of free employers, because, there are no such associations in communist countries. United States claims that the so-called employer delegates from communist countries are simply government agents and agents for the Communist Party.

The U. S. pays 25% and the other 69 countries pay the remaining 75%. Russia comes back into the ILO as three countries, U.S.S.R., Ukraine and Byelorussia, reinforced by Poland, Bulgaria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Albania. Eight Iron Curtain countries, who have a total of 32 votes in the ILO, as compared to four votes from the U. S. Meanwhile, we pay 25% of the cost, while the eight communist countries pay a total of 1 1/2%.

The U. S. should determine through an investigating committee whether these delegates from various countries represent associations of free employers and free workers or whether they don't. When that is decided then we can give full and unqualified support in the campaign to abolish the use of forced labor and to support the adoption of a convention on forced labor at the 1956 conference of the ILO.

Yours truly,
BERNADETTE EYSLEE,
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EDITORIALS

Farm Veto Pill Sweetened By Money Laid Out Slickly

The Central Labor Council has adopted a resolution protesting Mr. Eisenhower's veto of the farm bill, the Democrats are hammering him for it, and the Republican papers are reeling out paeans of praise for the President on the ground that it was a brave act proving that Mr. Eisenhower thinks not of votes, but only of the nation's welfare.

The fact is that the veto was accompanied with one of the shrewdest vote-getting maneuvers every pulled in that ancient arena of political maneuver, the farm belt. Whether the President figured out the maneuver himself, or it was worked out for him, it was a humdinger.

For while in the veto message he contended that it was wrong to pile up surplus by paying out money to produce crops not needed in such great amounts, he proceeded by administrative steps to plank down good Government money to help farmers build surpluses in precisely the States of the farm belt which have the most electoral votes.

The key farm belt consists of 12 States in the upper Midwest. These States have a total electoral vote of 153. The eastern half of these key farm States got a big dose of money for the corn crop: under this arrangement a diversified farmer in that area—and there are a lot of them—can raise all the corn his land will produce, feed as much as he needs to his livestock, and get a support loan on the rest of it. That one move does a lot toward picking up the 139 electoral votes in Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio.

In vetoing the farm bill, the President killed a measure that would have raised the support prices on feed grains, such as sorghum, barley, and oats. That means a lot to the livestock raiser who buys these grains to feed his animals, and there are a lot of livestock men through the area.

Take the dairy operator—and again there are a heap of them in the farm belt. The President proceeded to offer the same increase in support prices that Congress had put into the farm bill. This increase of 10 cents a hundred pounds on milk used in manufactured dairy products helps a good deal, and the blocking of feed costs cheers up the dairy farmers just as it does the livestock raisers.

A dispatch to the New York Times from Des Moines, Iowa, which might be called the ideological center of the farm belt, points out that "the Republicans could lose the support of the wheat farmers by the veto, in the western half of the Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas."

But note this. The Dakotas, Nebraska, and Kansas constitute the westernmost tier of the farm belt States, and altogether have only 28 electoral votes.

The President, so lauded by the GOP papers for walking out bravely into the political minefield, has actually laid out Government money very skillfully on the political gambling table.

Moreover, the Republicans already have \$2,000,000 in firm commitments for radio and television time, and anyone who is expert at estimating small amounts can make a good guess at how much radio and television money the Democrats have lined up.

Any labor people interested in turning out of office the Big Business Administration fronted for by a distinguished General should bear in mind that the Big Business crowd has the money but we've got the votes—if a sufficient number of our voters are devoted precinct workers to get the rest of them out on election day. And the GOP shrewdness in sweetening the farm veto pill gives us plenty of warning that Big Business can buy brains to work for the votes.

Millions Loved 'Dear Alben'

The millions of us who loved Alben Barkley in life and revere his memory in death must all agree that this great and kindly man died as he would have wished to die, speaking of and for the party he loved.

For the Veep was primarily a party man, and a great parliamentarian, like his friend and colleague in the House, Speaker Sam Rayburn. It has been said of Rayburn that he steered more liberal legislation through the House than any man in American history. Certainly Barkley did much the same in the Senate. Yet the careers of Barkley and Rayburn have not been the careers of liberals with a burning sense of mission to uproot the world and replant it. They have been the careers of men such as only the few great two-party parliamentary democracies of the world can produce: moderate men of integrity capable of following great liberal leadership, and contributing to the success of such leadership by an amazing ability in that art of logrolling, of compromise, so necessary in a two-party parliamentary democracy.

But the Veep had a personal charm that his great colleague in the House does not have. Millions loved the mere mention of his name who cared little or nothing for his politics. He was "Dear Alben" not only to Franklin D. Roosevelt, but to many other Americans who never met him personally.

We are accustomed to the tributes which Republican leaders pour out on great Democrats—after they're dead. But it's easy to accept as genuine the heart-warming statements about Alben Barkley made by many Republicans after the recent tragedy.

Labor Helps Industry-Seeking

Three AFLCIO men are on the 25-member Industrial Fact Finding Committee set up by the Board of Supervisors to study the question of why Alameda county is lagging in the effort to get desirable industries to settle here. The three labor men named to this important group are: Chester Bartolini, secretary, Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters; Jack Kopke, special organizer, Brotherhood of Painters; Frank A. Robello, international representative United Auto Workers.

Hard work and good luck to this committee!

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CROSS FOR CONGRESS dinner to be held at Hotel Leamington this coming Monday, May 14. In the picture, shown planning for a big evening, are (l. to r.) Fran Kaczmarek, secretary-treasurer, Culinary Alliance 31; Laurance L. Cross, Democrat, candidate for Congress in the 7th District, in whose honor the dinner is being staged; and J. L. Childers, BTC business representative, dinner chairman. Secretary Robert S. Ash of the Central Labor Council will introduce the guest of honor at the dinner.

Joe Pruss Report On Vet Christmas Work Pleases BTC

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Welfare Council, which in turn will report back to the constituent labor councils. UC will furnish some statistical service, and John Hutchinson of the UC Institute of Industrial Relations had been very helpful in getting the new setup worked out, said Childers.

Money was voted by the delegates for the BTC's part in getting the new organization started.

GEORGE REEVES

George Reeves, the contractor whom Hayward Carpenters 1622 had complained against on the ground that health and welfare payments had not been made, had brought in his books for examination, said Childers, and it looked as though everything was order. The matter was laid over for a final checkup.

CEMETERY WORKERS in San Francisco struck two cemeteries this week and were locked out of 9 others.

Geo. P. Miller on Race With Soviet

C. Lyn Fox, Call Bulletin political editor, in the May 4 issue of that paper, published an interview with Congressman George P. Miller on the remarkable atomic submarine Nautilus, and the supercarrier Bost.

Miller also told Fox about witnessing numerous demonstrations of guided missiles.

"I don't think Russia is ahead of us now," Miller told Fox, "but we cannot afford to relax. We must not fall into a Maginot Line philosophy. We came near doing that right after World War II and it was a terrible mistake. We must not make that mistake a second time."

"We will keep ahead of Russia, if we keep running scared." About the investigation of the airplane industry which Miller has been engaged in, and which he mentioned in his recent talk before the Central Labor Council, Miller told Fox:

"There may be some excess profits here and there, but we are getting the planes and re-research and development are proceeding at a steady pace."

Daniel Boone Has Joined the Union

The Hollywood Council of Theater Unions has notified the Central Labor Council that the movie "Daniel Boone" which had been declared unacceptable to labor audiences because it was made abroad in an effort to evade American unionism, is now considered acceptable. An agreement has been made with the producers that they will not resort to such anti-union tricks again.

Berkeley Firemen Back Their Chief

Representatives of the recently unionized Berkeley Fire Fighters met with the City Council Tuesday to discuss proposed wage adjustments presented by President George Lee and William Rounds, chairman, wages committee.

The firemen oppose the proposal of the Berkeley Personnel Board that the Fire Chief be paid less than the Police Chief. In their statement they refer to the "traditional and logical policy that heads of the two departments receive equal pay," and declare that "a change of this policy is not only unjustified from an administrative viewpoint but appears to be a personal insult to the Fire Chief."

They ask that their wage be brought "into a fair alignment with industrial wages." For the grade of fireman they ask a monthly wage of from \$406 to \$440 depending on length of service. For all grades above that of fireman they ask a 20% increase.

Silk Screen Firm Signs with Union

Printing Specialties 382 has signed up the Red Dot Silk Screen Co., 732 Carlson boulevard, Richmond, on a standard silk screen process contract.

John Ferro, president of Local 382, says the company is a new establishment in the area.

TRAILER PARK regulations covering electrical installations and other matters of interest to trade unions will be the subject of a hearing by the State Division of Housing in San Jose, 9:30 a.m. May 17, in the Santa Clara county office building.

Mrs. Carter, Wife Of First Editor Of Journal, Dies

The funeral of Mrs. E. C. Carter, who passed away Friday of last week, was held Monday.

Mrs. Carter, a member of Carpenters Auxiliary 180 for 30 years, and very active in that organization, missed being a charter member by only a few months.

She was the widow of E. C. Carter, former business representative of Millmen 550, and the first editor of East Bay Labor Journal, which this year is observing the thirtieth anniversary of its founding.

E. C. Carter and Thomas J. Roberts of the Operating Engineers worked closely together to make the founding of the paper possible. Millmen 550 has continuously subscribed to East Bay Labor Journal for its membership throughout the three decades of the paper's existence.

Financial Secretary E. H. Ovensberg says that Mrs. Carter was known as one of the most faithful and energetic workers for the union cause.

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